IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

FIKE et al.

Appl. No. 09/023,790

Filed: February 13, 1998

For: Dry Powder Cells and Cell

Culture Reagents and Methods of

Production Thereof

Art Unit: 1636

Examiner: (To be assigned)

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Reply to DOE/NASA Notice (Form PTOL-456)

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: Licensing and Review

Sir:

In reply to the Notice dated April 13, 1998, stating that the subject matter of the captioned application "appears to be useful in the production or utilization of special nuclear material or atomic energy," enclosed are original Declarations executed by the inventors. These Declarations set forth the full facts concerning the circumstances under which the invention was made and conceived, and state that:

The invention was not made or conceived in the course of, or in connection with, or under the terms of any contract, subcontract, or arrangement entered into with or for the benefit of the Atomic Energy Commission or its successors: the Energy Research and Development Administration, or the Department of Energy.

In light of the submission of the accompanying Declarations, it is respectfully requested that processing of this application proceed in the normal manner.

Respectfully submitted,

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